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Mr Daniel B Foster
San Francisco
California

Monrday April 8 1850

Brother Daniel

Knowing you would like
to hear from home and from your folks
I take my pen in hand to inform you
how we all are ^{well} your Father is getting along
very well for him he has got so he can use
his hand considerable and I am in hopes he will
get well this summer your Mother is very
well for her indeed and so is all the rest
of us. we were very glad to hear from you
and to hear you was well and getting along so well
it seemed to give your Mother new life when she
got the letters from you. I sent 100 Hundred
dollars to Harriet as you wished I was not at
home when R Coit came to our house and left
the letters he told the folks that he had
to use the money you sent to pay his passage
home and he would bring to them as soon as
he got his bust exchanged for money this
was Tuesday and I got home Friday and he
had not paid it nor had he been to new york
as he told them he was going Saturday I went
to see him about it and he told me the same
story for the same time ~~we~~ had received a letter from
Harriet stating that you had wrote her about it
and she was afraid it was lost &c}

so I told Mr Coit that I wanted the money
to send to your wife as you directed in your
letter & he told me he ^{would} pay it as soon as
he could get it so on Monday he gave us
the money on the Thames Bank of Norwich
and I sent to Harriet that night by Adams
& Express and as regards my present San I
thank you a thousand times for it for it is the
Handsomest present I ever had and I feel
proud of it you better believe
And ^{any} thing you want me to do for you
any time I will do it for you with the greatest
pleasure I received a letter from you last sat-
night directed to Elizabeth and we was very
glad to hear from you and I hope to get
another from you by the Georgia which is due
this week I wrote you a letter and sent
by J. H. & J. M. Gale which I suppose you have
got by this time I should have wrote you
before but I did not know where to direct it
the package of papers you sent to Mr Sykes
I never got Mr Coit said he left them in
his trunk in new york but I expect he
gave them away and also those you sent
by Mr Price which he had stole from him
with his money on the isthmus. The Gales
will tell you all about it I spoke to Mr Sykes
and told him about it he said he was very

much obliged to you indeed and would send
you ^{the} Courier and time I would call on him
to do so or would give me papers any
time I wanted to send to you
Elizabeth has experienced Religion and been
baptised and joined the baptist Church
which will be good news to you I suppose
It was to us, we have had a very warm
winter here indeed and every thing is pleasant
I am going to have a Bonnet Store in westerly
this spring and I shall be there the most of the
spring and summer and you must write me
as often as you can you may send your letters
to westerly R. D. or to Norwich it will not make
much difference to me If you want me to do
any thing for you in Norwich I will do for you
for I shall be up here every few days
I wish you would inquire in San Francisco for
S. R. Parlin he went out in the Belasco
from New London and his brother here has not
heard from him but once since he got there
he was in Stockton then his brother you
Recollect boarded with me last summer
you folks all of them send their love to you
and wish you good health and good luck
Receive this with the well wishes of your
Friend and Brother
Edwin Hitchcock